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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-1999-2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 969

Introduced by Assembly Member Papan

February 25, 1999

An act to amend Section 1788 of, and to add Section 1788.17 to, the Civil Code, relating to debt collection.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 969, as amended, Papan. Debt collectors.

Existing law prohibits certain actions by debt collectors in connection with the collection of consumer debts.

This bill would also require debt collectors to comply with specified provisions of federal law in connection with the collection of consumer debts, except as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1788 of the Civil Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 1788. This title may be cited as the Rosenthal Fair
- 4 Debt Collection Practices Act.

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1 SEC. 2. Section 1788.17 is added to the Civil Code, to 2 read:

1788.17. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, every debt collector collecting or attempting to collect a consumer debt shall comply with the provisions of Sections 1692b to 1692j, inclusive, of, and shall be subject to the remedies in Section 1692k of, Title 15 of the United States Code. However, subsection (11) of Section

9 1692e and Section 1692g shall not apply to any person

10 specified in paragraphs (A) and (B) of subsection (6) of

11 Section 1692a of Title 15 of the United States Code. The

12 references to federal codes in this section refer to those

13 codes as they read January 1, 2000.